



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/777,989
Inventor(s) : Thomas Lee Chester
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Art Unit : 2857
Examiner : Hal D. Wachsman
Docket No. : 8035M
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Customer No. : 27752
Title : Methods for Modeling, Predicting, and Optimizing High
Performance Liquid Chromatography Parameters

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Ex parte Quayle Action of April 25, 2006, the time for response being extended by one month, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, and the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a), providing for a timely response up to and including June 26, 2006, (June 25, 2006 falls on a Sunday).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.